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SUBJ: CHOU TUNG-HUA NAMED ROC AMBASSADOR TO SWAZILAND

1. DIRECTOR OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS' (MOFA) DEPARTMENT OF EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS CHOU TUNG-HUA (0719/1749/5478) WAS APPOINTED REPUBLIC OF CHINA (ROC) AMBASSADOR TO SWAZILAND VICE CHE YIN-SHOU ON JULY 1, 1976.

2. BORN IN SHANGHAI ON MAY 31, 1918, CHOU HOLDS DOCTOR OF ED. AND LL.B. DEGREES FROM TAHSIA UNIVERSITY AND HAS STUDIED AT THE CENTRAL POLITICAL INSTITUTE. AFTER PASSING THE QUALIFYING EXAMINATION FOR THE FOREIGN SERVICE HE SERVED AS CONSUL AT THE CHINESE CONSULATE GENERAL IN HONOLULU (1950-55), SECTION CHIEF OF THE EAST ASIA DEPARTMENT OF MOFA (1955-58), FIRST SECRETARY OF THE CHINESE EMBASSY IN BANGKOK (1958-61), AND CONSUL IN MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA (1961-64). CHOU SUBSEQUENTLY SERVED AS CONSUL GENERAL IN HOUSTON, TEXAS (1964-66), CONSUL GENERAL IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA (1966-68), AND CONSUL GENERAL IN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA (1968-71).

3. CHOU ASSUMED HIS MOST RECENT POST OF DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS IN MOFA IN 1971. HE IS MARRIED TO CHANG JUN-MEI AND HAS FOUR DAUGHTERS; HOWEVER, AS HE HAS NOT APPEARED AT SOCIAL FUNCTIONS WITH MRS. CHOU FOR AT LEAST THE PAST TWO YEARS, IT IS ASSUMED HE WILL TRAVEL TO HIS NEW POST WITHOUT HER. THE EMBASSY HAS FOUND AMBASSADOR CHOU VERY HELPFUL IN

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CONDUCT OF ROUTINE BUSINESS BUT SOMEWHAT RESERVED ON THE

SOCIAL SIDE. HE SPEAKS GOOD BUT HEAVILY ACCENTED ENGLISH.

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